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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA
SAN FRANCISCO DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,)	NO. CR-19-00658 JD
)	
Plaintiff,)	STIPULATION AND REQUEST TO CONVERT
)	AUGUST 12, 2020 PRETRIAL CONFERENCE TO
v.)	STATUS CONFERENCE AND VACATE
)	PRETRIAL CONFERENCE STATEMENT FILING
SATTAR QURAISH,)	REQUIREMENT AND ORDER
)	
Defendant.)	
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The parties hereby stipulate and jointly request that the Court convert the Pretrial Conference in the above-captioned case, currently set for August 12, 2020 (with Pretrial Conference Statement and disclosure deadlines of August 5, 2020 pursuant to Criminal Local Rule 17.1), to a Status Conference via Zoom, and vacate the current Pretrial Conference deadlines requiring filings and disclosures due on August 5, 2020. For the reasons discussed below, the parties submit there is good cause for the joint request.

First, the parties understand that pursuant to General Order 72-5, the Court has vacated all criminal jury trials through September 30, 2020, including the trial in the above-captioned case, which

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was set for September 8, 2020. Defense counsel anticipates electing to proceed by jury trial. Given the uncertainty regarding the next available criminal jury trial slot, the parties anticipate that intervening events between the currently scheduled Pretrial Conference and the date ultimately selected for the new jury trial may render moot disclosures, stipulations, witness lists, and pre-trial briefing and motion practice due next week and necessitate additional pre-trial filings closer in time to the new trial date.

Second, the government anticipates filing a superseding indictment alleging additional charges against Mr. Quraish. The government anticipates producing further discovery. Likewise, the information, disclosures, and pre-trial briefing and motion practice currently due on August 5, 2020 are likely subject to revision, amendment and subsequent re-filing. For example, the government's expert disclosures (and defense expert disclosures or motion practice in response), to the extent based on the instant indictment, will necessarily require further revision based on the superseding indictment. Thus, the Pretrial Conference Statement and attendant filing requirements are likely to be rendered moot and necessitate additional filings and further court review at a later date.

Accordingly, the parties stipulate that further trial preparation for both parties and judicial economy would be served by converting the August 12, 2020 Pretrial Conference to a Status Conference and vacating the Pretrial Conference Statement filing and disclosure deadlines currently due on August 5, 2020, in light of the vacated September 8, 2020 trial. The parties therefore jointly make the above request.

The undersigned Assistant United States Attorney certifies that he has obtained approval from counsel for the defendant to file this stipulation and proposed order.

IT IS SO STIPULATED.

DATED: 7/29/2020

/s/
Christoffer Lee
Assistant United States Attorney

DATED: 7/29/2020

/s/
Elizabeth Falk
Counsel for Defendant Sattar Quraish

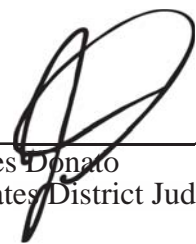
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ORDER

Based upon the facts set forth in the stipulation of the parties and their joint request, the Court converts the Pretrial Conference previously scheduled for August 12, 2020 at 10:30 a.m. to a Status Conference to be held via Zoom at the same date and time. The Court vacates the Pretrial Conference Statement filing and disclosure requirements currently due on August 5, 2020 given the conversion of the Pretrial Conference to a Status Conference.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

DATED: August 4, 2020



Hon. James Donato
United States District Judge

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